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BAILEY, MARGARET LEWIS. *Milton and Jakob Boehme. A Study of German Mysticism in Seventeenth-Century England.* New York: Oxford University Press, 1914. vii+200 pages. \$0.50.

While belonging more strictly to the history of literature, this study is not without interest for the theologian. Milton's *Christian Mythology* was derived from Boehme, and its influence upon the English-speaking world of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, our author believes, was greater than the study of the Bible. We are given the history of mysticism before Boehme and the rise of seventeenth-century English mysticism by way of prelude. Then the scientific, religious, and political influence of Boehme on England after 1644—the date of the first English acquaintance with him—is rapidly traced. One chapter presents the historical proof of contact between Milton and Boehme while another by quotation shows the actual similarity of thought. The quotations show that Boehme shaped Milton's thinking on God, the Trinity, the creation of angels, the origin of evil, the creation and fall of man, and the place of punishment. Considering Milton's subsequent influence, shown in German eighteenth-century romanticism and in early nineteenth-century French romanticism as well as in English writers, the book furnishes a starting-point for more detailed investigation of the thought-relation indicated. The present work is presented as the first of a series of monographs on Germanic literature and culture, edited by Julius Goebel.

W. T. P.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY

GARVIE, ALFRED E. *The Joy of Finding: Or, God's Humanity and Man's Inhumanity to Man.* New York: Scribner, 1914. v+138 pages. \$0.60.

This is a theological exposition of the story of the Prodigal Son. The standard categories of God, Man, Sin, Judgment, Penitence, Pardon, Righteousness, and Blessedness are treated conservatively on the basis of the text. The volume belongs to the Short Course series, edited by John Adams, and is calculated to bring to the popular mind the dogmatic values which traditional theology finds in this superb parable of Jesus.

A. H.

ZENOS, ANDREW C. *The Son of Man: Studies in the Gospel of Mark.* New York: Scribner, 1914. v+137 pages. \$0.60.

The author reviews briefly the history of the significant term, Son of Man; indicates the moral import of Jesus' use of the same, and elaborates very suggestively the social and individual deductions involved.

A. H.

JOHNSON, FRANKLIN WINSLOW. *The Problems of Boyhood: A Course in Ethics for Boys of High-School Age.* Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1914. xxv+130 pages. \$1.00.

The author of this textbook is, by virtue of his position as principal of the University High School of the University of Chicago, well qualified to issue these twenty-two studies in ethics for boys of high-school age. Moreover, he has given the studies a four years' trial in successful classwork outside the school and on a purely voluntary basis. The key to this success seems to be faithful adherence to the vital interests of